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News Items.

Tom. Donnell, one of the best scouts in the Territory, and who has picked up more boomers than any other one man, is in town, having come up with Major Randall's command—Caldwell Commercial.

Fredonia and Arkansas City have each been made presidential post-offices, salaries \$1,200 per annum. A "presidential" postoffice is one whose postmaster is appointed by the President.—Press.

It is evident that there are serious troubles beneath the earth's "crust," for no sooner did Manna Loa and Mount Baker erupt, than Pike's Peak, Vesuvius, Senator Vest and DeWitt Talmage began to blow off.—K. C. Journal.

The University of Kansas, at Lawrence, has just received a munificent bequest from the late Mr. Spooner, a wealthy Bostonian, who leaves about half a million dollars. The special bequests amount to about \$50,000, and the balance of the estate is to be divided equally between Oberlin College and the University of Kansas.—Post.

The five hundred land speculators who are valiantly marching along the Kansas border cannot scare Uncle Sam. He is a very cautious gentleman, and would think nothing of gently leading them out by the nose should they cross the line. Oklahoma may be very nice, but it is not for Payne's followers and cannot be gained by such Payne's-taking.—K. C. Journal.

The London Times, in a financial article, says: The finances of the United States may well excite the envy, not only of England, but of Europe. The unprecedented rate of redemption is having its natural effect in raising the credit of the United States to a level with the most staid and best paying communities of the old world, and in reaching that level the United States will only attain her rightful position.

A fire at Buffalo, N. Y., on the 17th inst., destroyed the large five story building occupied by Burge & Sons' wall paper manufactory. At the time the fire broke out, 160 men and boys were at work in the building. The stairways and elevators served as chimneys for the flames, and there being no outside fire escapes, every avenue of egress was stopped. Some leaped to the street below, while others perished in the flames. Twelve lives are known to be lost, and a large number of others are seriously injured.

Secretary Thompson retired on the 20th inst., from the Cabinet, to accept a position in DeLesseps' Panama Canal Company. The president designated Secretary of war Ramsey to act as Secretary of the Navy in addition to his other duties, on and after that date. In reference to the application of the Monroe doctrine, the Secretary said, when it comes to the question of the absorption of the slightest portion of any territory of the Central American states he would go as far as any one to prevent it, and would be in favor of using all the power of the United States to

prevent it. The project is one of private enterprise only, and there can be no more reasonable objection to the bulk of the capital, or even all of it, being subscribed by citizens of European countries than there is to the use of foreign capital in other enterprises.

W. N. Hubbell this week started out two trains loaded with supplies for the Pan Handle country—six wagons went to John Powers' camp near Mobeetie, and six wagons to Bates & Beal's and Ellsworth Torrey's camps near Tascosa, Tex. Mr. Ed. Artt went in charge of the outfit bound for Mr. Powers' camp.—Post.

Mr. Hubbell has advertised so liberally that he is well known all over the Pan Handle, and his name is the synonym of enterprise and fair dealing. He strikes a rich country where he is well known, and will be well paid for his trouble.

WHOLESALE ROBBERY.

The New York Sun commenting upon a maudlin article in the St. Louis Times, speaks in the following emphatic language:

"The above bears the ear-marks of the St. Louis Times, a Bohemian newspaper of large pretensions and small weight, seeking to carry favor by advocating the robbing of the Indian race for the benefit, ostensibly, of a shiftless, landless set of whites, but really as a matter of speculation, hoping to put money in its purse in the general scheme of wreckage it seeks to inaugurate. It is false when it says 'the United States makes no sign—shows no inclination to have the law in the case determined.' The trial of Payne before the United States Court was set for the 20th of this month. Affidavits that he was not ready for trial, the case was postponed to accommodate him and his employers, until the next term of Court, which does not convene until 1881. In the meantime those parties are urging on another invasion and now propose to take possession of the Indian lands in force Dec. 6th. We believe there will be a graveyard started out there soon if they try it. Those Indians are in no mood to be trifled with and robbed by wholesale."

Live Stock Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 21, 1880.

CATTLE—Market firm and fairly active to the extent of the supply; native steers averaging 1,200 to 1,461 sold at \$4.35@5.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.25@3.85; cows, \$2.75@3.50.

HOGS—Market weak and 10c lower, closing weak; sales ranged at \$4.10@4.77½.

CARLISLE ITEMS.

From the Big Morning Star.

The tailor shop is proving that we can get good work in this direction from our boys, and in matter of speed, experienced men say that they are up to the ordinary white apprentice. Several are able to use sewing machines. In all other departments of our mechanical work, we have reason to feel satisfied with the progress made.

On the 6th of November we welcomed fifteen new students, four boys and three girls from the Menemonees at Green Bay Agency, and four boys and four girls from the Sisseton Sioux Agency; an exceptionally bright and promising delegation. An Apache boy captured by the 4th cavalry, in Arizona six years ago, has also been admitted to the school, thus making our total number two hundred and twelve.

The wagon maker and apprentices are nearly closing up the work on a lot of six wagons made for the Indian Department. These wagons were the first made, and in the commencement the work went slowly, as a great deal of showing care was necessary. Now the parts of labor are divided. Dan Tucker, an Arapahoe boy, with an assistant, is competent for all the iron work, a Camanche and Sioux fit up the wheels and run the drill, a Cheyenne and Sioux do the painting, a Kiowa does the trimming, and others do such odd portions as they are capable of.

FORT RENO ITEMS.

The "Oklahoma boom" has called away the larger part of the garrison and the Post is remarkably dull at present.

Maj. Randall, the commanding officer, and Asst. Surgeon Banister, the Post Surgeon, left the Post on the 9th for the seat of war and are still absent.

Capt Crews and Lieut Wheeler with Co. C, Lieuts Martin and Dickson with Co. F, Lieuts Wood and McGrath with Co. G, Lieut Mason with Co. H, all of 4th cavalry, and Lieut Pardee with Co. I, 23d Inf. (mounted), are all looking after the "boomers."

Act'g Asst Surgeon Hall was ordered from here to Ft. Sill, on the 14th, on temporary duty during the illness of Surgeon Williams, Post Surgeon at Ft. Sill. During his absence, the position of medical officer of the Post is being filled by Dr. Hodge, the Agency Physician, who, with both the Missions and the Post Hospital, besides other professional work, finds his time pretty well occupied.

The Last Will of the Boom—Congress Sits Down on Payne & Co. and Literally Squeezes the Life out of them.

The Dupes may now go to their Homes.

Special to the K. C. Journal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Resolutions were introduced in the Senate and House declaring the lands in the Indian Territory to which the Indian title had been extinguished and which are unoccupied by Indians, public lands of the U. S. subject to pre-emption and settlement. In the Senate the resolution was immediately laid on the table, a similar bill being now on the calendar. There is not the slightest chance for the bill to pass the Senate. In the House the hopes of the friends of the resolution were dashed at once. It is well understood that the committee on Indian Affairs is hostile to the proposed invasion of the Territory. The friends of the resolution therefore demanded its reference to the committee on public lands, but the House resolved to refer it, by a vote of 114 to 68, to the committee on Indian Affairs. It is evident that Col. Payne's army can obtain neither relief nor sympathy from congress, and its members should return peaceably to their homes.

PAN HANDLE ITEMS.

MOBETIE, WHEELER Co., Tex. }
December 16, 1880. }

Editor TRANSPORTER,

At a meeting held here on the 15th, pursuant to a call of Charles Goodnight, the stock men of the Pan Handle were well represented, and preliminary steps were taken for the formation of a mutual stock association. Further steps will be taken at a meeting set for January 17th 1881. Charles Goodnight was elected president pro tem, L. R. Dickson and F. M. Goodin Treasurers. The principal business of the meeting was as follows: A committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. Goodnight, Creswell and Williams, with a view to devise some way or means to prevent the drive of Coast cattle, so as to afford some protection from the so-called Texas or Spanish fever. The result of their labors was the drawing up of a memorial, in substance as follows.

To his Excellency, O. M. Roberts, Governor of Texas; Sir, your petitioners respectfully rep-

resent that they are citizens and stock men in that section of Texas known as the Pan Handle, and they would further represent that the greater portion of the stock men in this section are devoting their time and money to the improvement of said stock, and that acclimated Texas and improved native cattle are liable to the so-called Texas fever; and Coast cattle driven into this region between the first day of April and the first day of November, generate and spread the so-called Texas fever among the native improved and acclimated Texas herds when brought in contact, and that we have suffered greatly by loss of stock from said fever by the driving of said Coast cattle in our midst. We are of the opinion that by enacting such laws (quarantine) as will regulate the driving of, or make provision for the establishment of trails upon which said cattle may be driven, with such restrictions as will control said drive, and provide for the appointment of such officers as will insure their execution, together with such penalties for violation or evasion of said law as will make it effective; and further provide for such security or bonds for all damages occasioned by the drive of said southern cattle as to secure sufferers from loss. We therefore earnestly request that you present this matter to the Legislature with such recommendations and suggestions as will insure the passage of said law, that will afford us that protection to which we are entitled by paying a higher rate of taxation on our stock than is paid in other portions of the State.

The committee having presented their report, which was unanimously adopted, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That there should be a fund created for defraying all necessary expenses of the convention, and that a copy of this memorial should be furnished to our senator and representative in the Legislature, and to the different stock associations of the State, asking for their cooperation and support.

This is a step in the right direction and we hope it will receive the attention which it deserves. The meeting adjourned to the 17th of January 1881.

The largest killing of turkeys ever done in this part was done by a party consisting of Mr. Dickson and Serjts. McLean, Hennessey and Dickson. They slaughtered 187 turkeys, besides other game. CITIZEN.

TO STOCK MEN.

The TRANSPORTER being in exchange with the leading stock journals of Kansas and Texas, will be enabled to furnish reliable and early information on all important matters of interest concerning this great branch of industry, and being prepared with the necessary cuts for brands, it is confidently recommended as the proper means of communication between cattle men. This matter will always receive the notice it merits, and the attention of stock men is called to the importance of having their marks and brands published, to the end that the same may be generally known, thefts prevented and strays recovered. The terms are so reasonable that attention need only be drawn to the matter to recommend it, at once, to your favorable action.

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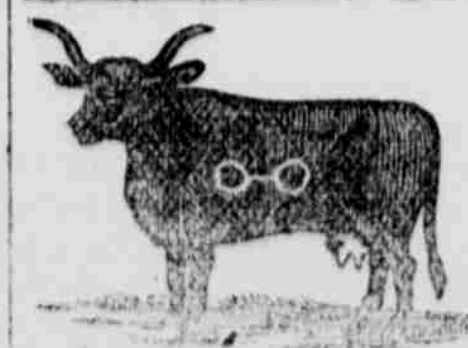
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